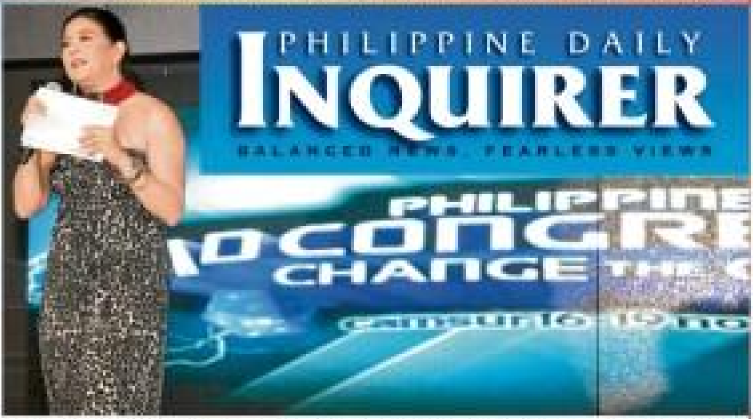
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CAUGHT IN THE ACT Former Batangas Gov. Antonio Leviste is escorted by NBI agents to the Department of Justice for inquest for violation of service of sentence.

JUSTICE Secretary Leila de Lima intends to unravel the "open secret" at the national penitentiary: the special treatment extended by prison officials to high-profile inmates such as former Batangas Gov. Antonio Leviste, a homicide convict.

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Chinese jets intruded into PH space–AFP

By DJ Yap

THE ARMED Forces yesterday said it was validating reports that Chinese jet fighters had entered the country's airspace around the disputed Spratly chain near Palawan but conceded it had no capability to detect and intercept the alleged intrusions.

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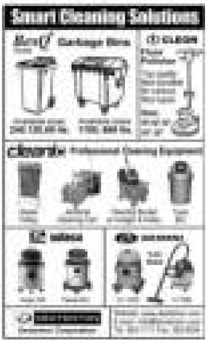


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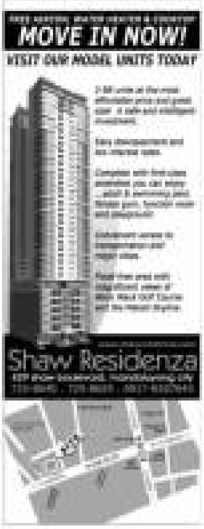
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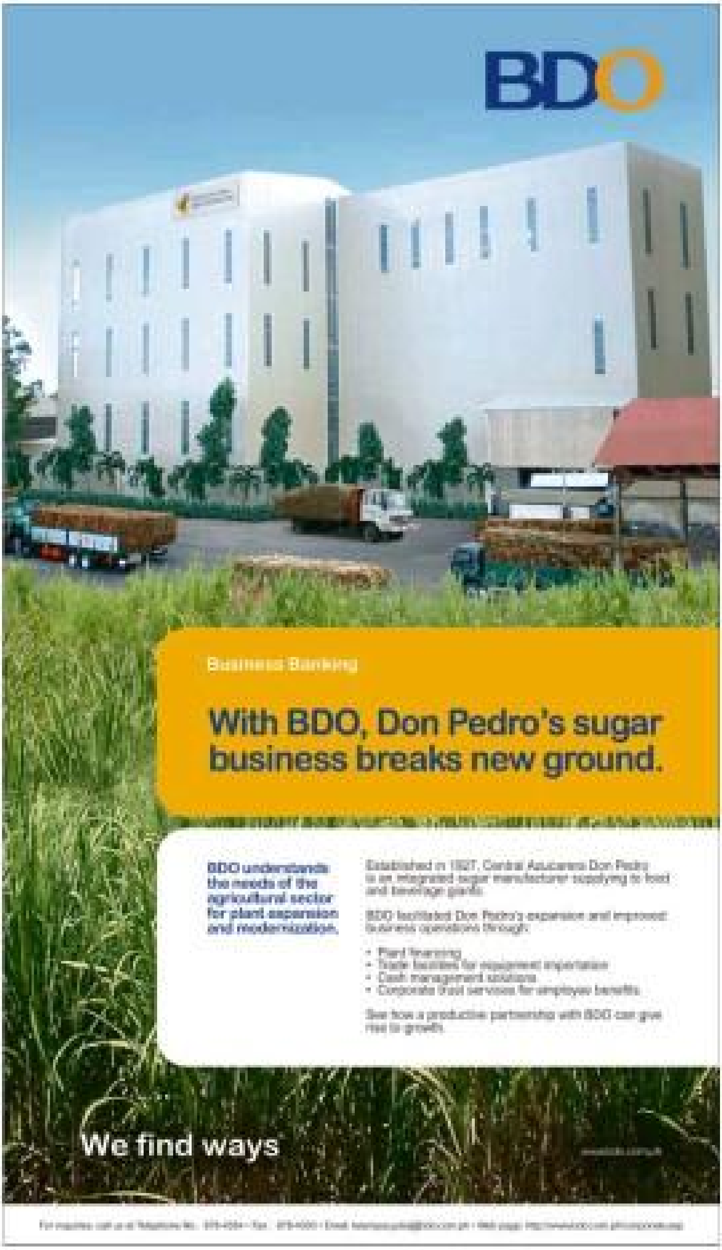














Pacman jeered, cheered over House 'rumble'

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Palace welcomes CBCP move

New Japanese envoy studied in Manila as a boy

THE NEW Japanese ambassador to the Philippines spent his childhood in Manila shortly after World War II, but he doesn't have any bad memories about how Filipinos treated him following the liberation of the country from the Japanese.



URABE

Presidential spokesperson Edwin Lacierda said Ambassador Toshinao Urabe studied for two years at JASMS in the 1950s and, despite the proximity of the end of the second world war, Urabe "had no bad memories of the Philippines and the way Filipinos treated him during those times."

Lacierda was speaking during a briefing in Malacañang, where Urabe presented his credentials to President Aquino as the new Japanese ambassador to the Philippines.

"So he was recalling his fond memories of his stay here while as a young child," Lacierda added.

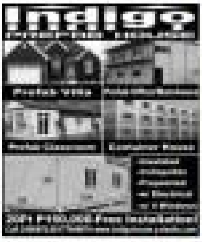
Ironically, JASMS is a school named after Filipino martyr Jose Abad Santos, who was executed by the Japanese for his refusal to cooperate with them during the war.

Lacierda said the Japanese ambassador thanked the President for the relief aid sent to Japan in the aftermath of the earthquake, tsunami and nuclear disaster that struck Japan last March.

The Philippines sent instant noodles and bottled water to the stricken areas in Japan.

Lacierda said the ambassador also reiterated Japan's invitation for President Aquino to have an official working visit. He said the President told the ambassador that hopefully the Philippines and Japan can agree on a mutually convenient date for the Mr. Aquino to visit Japan. *Norman Bordadora*





LGUs get busy with updating realty taxes

LOCAL government units across the country are busy with assessments, studies and initiatives for updating their schedule of market values (SMV) of real property, revision of property assessments and imposition of ad valorem taxes on idle lands.

The move is in compliance with the joint memorandum circular, both dated Dec. 22, 2010, of the Department of the Interior and Local Government (DILG) and the Department of Finance (DOF).

Circular No. 2010-01 enjoins all provinces, cities and municipalities nationwide to prepare or update their SMVs of real property and conduct a general revision of property assessments in their respective areas.

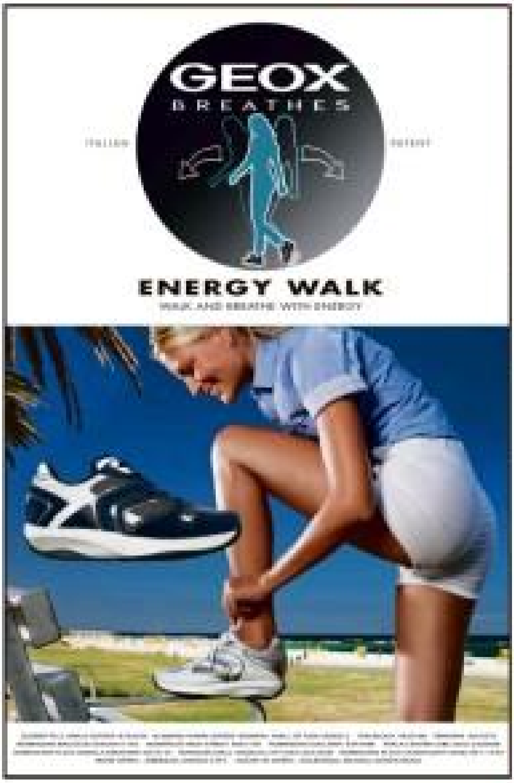
Circular No. 2010-02 invokes Section 236 of Republic Act No. 7160 (the Local Government Code of 1991), which provides for, in addition to the basic property tax, an ad valorem tax on idle lands at a rate not exceeding 5 percent of the assessed value of the property and enjoins provincial governors, city and municipal mayors, provincial, city and municipal treasurers and assessors to implement the provision in their respective jurisdictions.

All DILG and DOF regional directors have been directed to ensure the compliance of government units.

Implementation of the circulars requires the enactment of an enabling ordinance by the appropriate Sanggunian.

The procedures for the approval and implementation of the ordinance shall be in accordance with Section 187 (which requires the initial conduct of public hearings), Section 188 (which lays down the publication requirements preparatory to the implementation of the ordinance), and Section 189 (which mandates the dissemination of copies to the cooperative local treasurers for public dissemination).







FLIGHT DELAYS AT NAIA

After birds, bees torment airport

By Tina G. Santos

IT WAS always the birds before. Now it's the bees.

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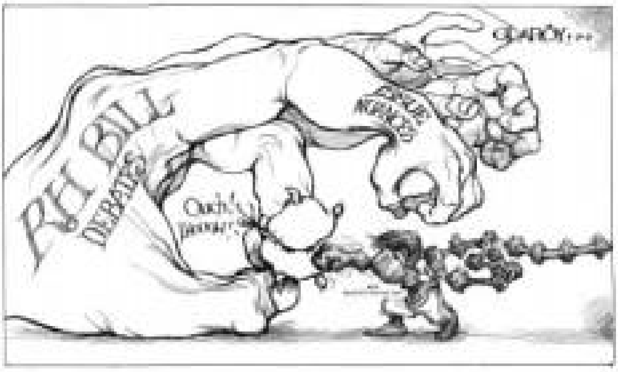
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Across the NATION

Luisita toll doesn't need gov't OK, says P-Noy uncle



COJUANGCO

CITY OF SAN Fernando—The Hacienda Luisita Inc. (HLI) has delivered on its commitment to build an access road inside its sugar estate in Tarlac but has never pledged to make it toll-free to users of the Subic-Clark-Tarlac Expressway (SCTEx), one of the company's owners said on Wednesday.

Jose "Peping" Cojuangco Jr. said this was clear in the April 3, 2006, letter of his elder brother, Pedro, president of the HLI, to Narciso Abaya, then head of the Bases Conversion and Development Authority (BCDA). BCDA owns the 94-kilometer SCTEx that was built on a 38-billion-yen loan.

Cojuangco, an uncle of President Aquino, issued the statement as motorists lamented HLI's collection of a P28 "service fee" starting Monday on vehicles using the San Miguel access road to reach SCTEx.

Lawyer Arnel Casanova, BCDA president, said the agency saw Pedro Cojuangco's letter as HLI's commitment to provide a counterpart to the project since the Luisita Industrial Park is within the estate.

Part of the letter read: "In connection with the need for a road that will connect the [Luisita] interchange of the SCTEx with the Luisita Parkway, we would like to assure the BCDA that HLI stands committed to the construction of such a thoroughfare and determined to finish the same simultaneously with the completion of said interchange, fully aware of the immense value and advantage that the project will bring to all parties concerned."

What the HLI did, said Cojuangco, was add 2.5 km to the existing 5-km road within the estate's stretch in Barangay San Miguel in Tarlac City. This road leads to and from the interchange.

"The entire road is private property. The toll is for maintenance and repair," he said.

Casanova said while the BCDA considered the road "private property and not part of the right of way the agency bought for the SCTEx, it is our understanding that it's for public use."

"The purpose of the interchange is to connect Luisita, Clark and Subic economic zones and make SCTEx their backbone," he said.

He said concerns over the HLI toll should be addressed to the Toll Regulatory Board (TRB), not BCDA.

Cojuangco said HLI did not seek permission from the TRB since the road was private. "We only collect from those who pass through on their way to SCTEx, which is only an exit to Clark and Subic, not to the north," he said.

Luisita farmers, investors and residents are spared from paying, Cojuangco said. "TRB has no jurisdiction over Luisita because it's a private land," he said.

He said it was true also to subdivisions in Calamba, Laguna, where motorists pass to reduce travel time. These motorists, he said, pay toll.

"Or else, who will maintain the road? Eventually, it's going to be damaged," Cojuangco said.

At least 4,000 vehicles take the Luisita interchange. SCTEx has interchanges in Concepcion and La Paz towns, also in Tarlac. *—Tonette Orejas, Inquirer Central Luzon*

Smuggling, BOC graft dismay President in Davao

DAVAO CITY—President Aquino expressed dismay over the performance of the Bureau of Customs (BOC), an agency embroiled by allegations of high-level corruption from smuggled goods that include "hot" vehicles.

"We are constantly viewing the performance of the BOC. We look at the raw data and the collection have increased ... but I am not satisfied," he said.

Mr. Aquino said while BOC collection has increased, this was tainted by the discovery of smuggled items in Cagayan de Oro and Davao recently.

The President expressed disbelief over the claims made by customs officials in Cagayan de Oro that they did not know how the smuggled hot vehicles got through the port.

"They are supposed to be the ones tasked to make sure that no smuggled items get through. Why are they claiming to having no knowledge about it?" he said.

The Cagayan de Oro customs office is headed by collector Anju Castigador, who was transferred from Davao City amid allegations of massive smuggling at the Davao City port, which Castigador had repeatedly denied.

The President was referring to the National Bureau of Investigation's May 5 raids in [illegible] and in Cagayan de Oro City that led to the seizure of 21 high-end motorcycles and four luxury cars, including an [illegible] chopper motorcycle that belonged to [illegible] which was reported stolen in the United States.

The President expressed his displeasure over BOC amid complaints made by an oil firm here that it was being used as a smokescreen to cover the smuggling and corruption that are still gripping the BOC.

On Wednesday, Davao-based oil firm Phoenix sued top BOC officials in the Ombudsman for alleged harassment and libel.

Phoenix Corporate Secretary Socorro Cabreros said the firm realized that "BOC maliciously announced to the media that our company evaded taxes and duties" even before the actual case has been filed.

"We feel harassed and there clearly is something more than meets the eye to this move by the BOC. It could be a smokescreen for something and we don't know what it is," Cabreros said in a statement.

"Something really smells here because (Customs) Commissioner Alvarez categorically said they filed cases when clearly, no case was yet filed as he was making the announcement," said Cabreros.

Mr. Aquino said in the next two months, major changes within the BOC would take effect.

"We have been discussing steps on how we are supposed to improve the services of customs ... expect that in two months," he said without elaborating. *Jeffrey M. Tupas, Inquirer Mindanao*

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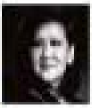
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Coin to mark Rizal's 150th year

By Jerome Aning

A GOLD-PLATED medallion or coin whose design was approved by descendants of Jose Rizal will be struck and issued within the year to commemorate the national hero's 150th birth anniversary on June 19.

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PH is new WHO auditor

THE AQUINO administration's fight against corruption has gone global.

The Philippines has obtained the post of external auditor of the World Health Organization (WHO), presidential spokesperson Edwin Lacierda said last night.

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British firm wants call center agents with British accent

By Norman Bordadora

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A plus METRO





10 hurt in mishap on 'killer highway'



MMDA drive to enforce 60-kph speed limit nets over 600 drivers

DESPITE the renewed efforts of the Metropolitan Manila Development Authority (MMDA) to strictly enforce the 60-kph speed limit on Commonwealth Avenue, Quezon City, 10 people were injured when two speeding passenger buses collided with each other yesterday morning.

Interagency body to study drivers' working conditions

Former movie director accuses armed group of taking his land



MURDERS OF JOURNALISTS WILL CONTINUE

As long as there are people in the judiciary and the media who are willing to defend and protect suspected masterminds despite the overwhelming evidence against them



Environmental advocate and media practitioner Dr. Gerardo "Gerry" Ortega was shot dead by a gunman in San Pedro Village, Puerto Princesa City on January 24, 2011 at around 10 a.m.

The murder of journalist Doc Gerry Ortega was no ordinary crime.

For the first time in the history of media killings, the gunman was immediately apprehended, the murder weapon recovered and the owner of the gun identified.

All the perpetrators of the crime, all eight of them, either surrendered or were apprehended and all of them admitted their participation in the crime, directly or indirectly.

Rodolfo Edrad Jr., also known as Bumar Bomar, a former aide of former Marinduque Governor Bong Carrion who later worked for former Palawan Gov. Joel Reyes, surrendered and admitted that he was the one who organized the crime and offered himself as a state witness.

His statement, printed in the newspapers, particularly the Philippine Daily Inquirer and broadcast on radio and TV, pointed to former Governor Reyes as the mastermind. It narrated in detail the entire plot.

NBI investigators handling the case have also compiled corroborating evidence to support his claim and this can be gleaned from their reports. According to the Inquirer, Edrad also implicated Governor Carrion and Reyes' younger brother, Mario, incumbent mayor of Coron in northern Palawan.

Columnists' smear campaign

Unknown publicists have clearly worked hard to get columnists to start a campaign to discredit Edrad and offer extraneous arguments to buttress their claim that the former governor could not commit the crime.

They have taken the opposite path by using squid tactics to insinuate that the sinister interest of Puerto Princesa City Mayor Edward Hagedorn and businessman Jose Alvarez in the case indicated they had plotted to mastermind the killing of Ortega. This is preposterous.

Yet, Reyes' own lawyers could not find an iota of evidence to back up this ridiculous assertion, and there is hardly anything they could salvage from anywhere to buttress their allegation that those who want justice for Ortega are now the ones who plotted his murder.

Can't pin others down

Throughout the preliminary investigation, Reyes and his lawyers could not present solid counter-evidence and could not point to any other party with the motive to order the assassination of the environmentalist broadcaster.

Thus, the only hope for them to salvage their case was to create "reasonable doubt" on the testimony of Edrad and assail his credibility as a witness. All that Reyes could offer was that he had no motive to eliminate Ortega despite the latter's criticisms against the former governor in his radio program.

Weakened Defense

Inconsistencies have shattered Reyes' own testimony and his claim that he never trusted Edrad and did not hire him as a bodyguard was belied by the evidence at hand. He was not a mere hanger-on, and this is clear in media reports.

He could not controvert the claim of Edrad that he made calls to his brother from overseas to order to give the former P5,000 in financial assistance, with Edrad travelling all the way from Quezon to Alabang just to get the cash.

Edrad insisted he received P300,000, declaring he would not have traveled that far just to get a measly P5,000. He stood by his sworn statement that he received text messages from Reyes on the same day the crime was committed.

Harmless but deadly

We see an orchestrated media campaign to portray Reyes as a victim, not the villain, in the most gruesome murder of a media practitioner this year.

Thus, certain columnists, using the same line obviously from the same column feed, paint Reyes as a saint, a harmless man with a good background, not a street-smart politician who would protect his interest at any cost. They argue that a man of peace like Reyes could not have committed such a crime.

Of course, a columnist can select his facts and turn a blind eye to the allegations of graft that had been the basis for Ortega's criticisms of the former governor.

All the ex-Governor's men

If Reyes were, indeed, not responsible for the death of Ortega, he should be able to explain why out of the eight confessed conspirators, six are closely identified with him. The murder weapon also passed through three of his people before it finally landed at the hands of the man who pulled the trigger.

The names of Reyes' people involved directly or indirectly in the Ortega murder, based on the sworn statements of the confessed co-conspirators are:

1. Romeo Seratubias — Reyes' provincial administrator and owner of the gun used in the killing who claimed he had sold it before the murder happened;

2. Val Lecias — Reyes' photographer who admitted buying Seratubias' gun;

3. Arturo "Nonoy" Regalado — Reyes' close-in aide who ordered Val Lecias to buy the gun;

4. Quinito Paña — Another employee of the provincial government who transferred the money for the purchase of the gun;

5. Rodolfo "Bumar" Edrad Jr. — Reyes' security aide who organized the plot; and

6. Mayor Mario Reyes — Reyes' brother who gave Edrad P300,000.

Lecias, who filed a case of human rights violation against NBI agents, never retracted his statement that he was the one who bought the gun used in the murder, contrary to the press statement of former governor Reyes.

Destroy the witness, together

During the Holy Week, a Lucena City Regional Trial Court (RTC) judge issued a warrant of arrest against Edrad based on an archived murder case in which he was never previously named.

Without the benefit of a preliminary investigation, and based solely on the testimony of a new witness, Edrad was named a suspect in the crime.

The inclusion of Edrad as a suspect in the Lucena City case is an obvious ploy to get him out of the Witness Protection Program (WPP), transfer him to the Lucena City Jail and plot his killing.

On the other hand, insinuations that Hagedorn and Alvarez had a hand in the Ortega murder tend to deflect public attention away from Reyes and his co-accused.

Some columnists, curiously using the same column feed, have tried to muddle the case and the latest theory of Hagedorn and Alvarez, hoping certainly fit into a larger campaign to save the real culprit.

Is this inclusion of Edrad as an accused in the archived murder case part of a scheme to destroy Edrad's credibility? The plot has been inexorably revealed by the fact that a columnist knew of and discussed the issuance of Edrad's arrest warrant four days before it was signed by the judge.

Is this part of coordinated efforts to divert the public's attention from the overwhelming pieces of evidence that point to former Governor Reyes as the mastermind of Doc Gerry's murder?

The writings of Doc Gerry's own media colleagues fit squarely into this scheme, with all of them claiming Reyes could not possibly be the mastermind of a killing since he comes from a rich family, studied in Manila, and does not have violent tendencies.

To them, Hagedorn and Alvarez are guilty, obviously because a spinmaster and PR agent make them write the way he wants them to write.

The Ortega family, thus, has appealed to Doc Gerry's colleagues in the media not to diminish his death by being instruments of disinformation by the same person who, according to the triggerman, has ordered his killing.

Sources: Philippine Daily Inquirer, other media reports



TO SOLVE MEDIA KILLINGS,

Journalists Should Start With Truthful Reporting, and Columnists Must Not Propagate Lies

JUSTICE FOR DOC GERRY ORTEGA
JUSTICE FOR PALAWAN MOVEMENT

The Ortega family appeals to President Noynoy Aquino to order an investigation into the possible involvement of the Lucena City judge in the harassment of Edrad, who is a witness under the Department of Justice's protection program.



CITY ART

Lim takes Isko, council to court over tax breaks

Cop in trouble for offering bribe to colleagues

10 hurt …

2 hurt in fire; ₱1.5-M property lost

4 injured as MRT guard fires shotgun by accident

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Amnesty offered to trike drivers

Spanish woman stabbed in hotel room

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The WORLD

Gates: No sign top Pakistanis knew Bin Laden hiding in area

WASHINGTON—Defense Secretary Robert M. Gates on Wednesday said that he surmised that "somebody" in Pakistan had been aware that Osama bin Laden was hiding in a compound in the garrison town of Abbottabad, but that there was no evidence so far that anyone in the country's senior leadership had known.

UK Queen offers sympathy, regret to Ireland



BRITAIN'S Queen Elizabeth II bows her head after laying a wreath at the Irish National War Memorial Garden in Dublin honoring the 49,400 Irish soldiers killed fighting for Britain in World War I.

After scandal and crime, scrutiny falls on women

By Kate Zernike

Billions of planets adrift in Milky Way, all alone

In Canada, rooftop and vertical farmings pay

Yemen crisis deal collapses despite US pressure



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China admits Three Gorges Dam problems



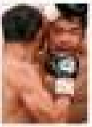
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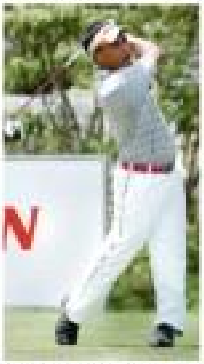
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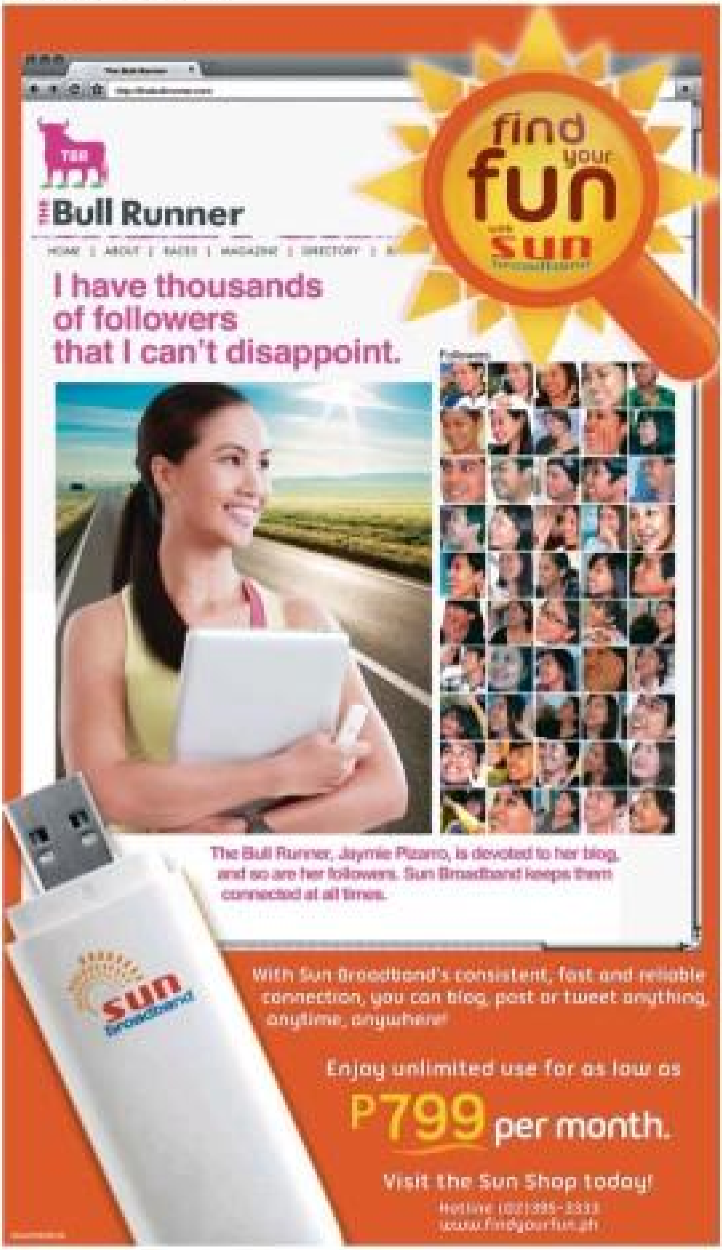


By Musong R. Castillo

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Pieces of the first-round lead

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PBA All-Star Skills Challenge gets going



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'Marquez will come to fight'

Arum predicts a blockbuster



Stiff price for watching Azkals 'live'

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James flaunts clutch performance as Heat tie series



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GAB's 4 problem sports



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Negros downs Iloilo eleven

By Cedelf P. Tupas



BUSINESS



Country's BOP stood at a surplus in April

Balance of payments remains favorable, rising by 7% to $1B

THE FLOW of dollars and other foreign currencies into the country outstripped the outflows recorded in April, as remittances and portfolio investments remained robust.

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Shares trade lower

Accenture sees PH workforce rising to 25,000 by year's end

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DMCI profit up 61% in Q1

By Doris C. Dumlao

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GMA expects record profit of over ₱3B in '11

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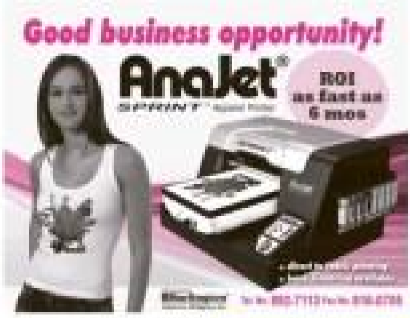
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MILITARY jacket with metal buttons and red shorts by Bench

Bench puts up a good fight vs foreign brands

At Philippine Fashion Week, the homegrown brand proved that, despite the influx of foreign chains, it can still provide the building blocks of a hip wardrobe

By Marge C. Enriquez

DESPITE the heavy downpour and flash floods, friends and the fashion faithful flocked to the opening of Philippine Fashion Week—all for the love of Ben Chan, the head honcho and creative director of Suyen Corporation.

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Classic and figure-flattering

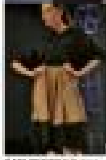
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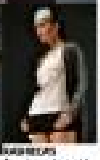




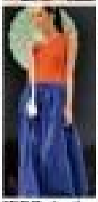
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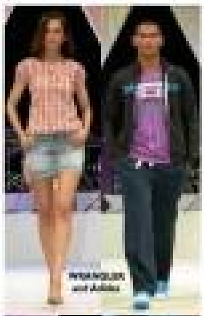








Music meets fashion at Market! Market! show









Ferragamo is Hollywood's bag of choice



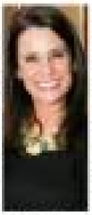




Belo beauties and beyond

The flagship clinic at Greenbelt 5 Residences is the ultimate altar to beauty

















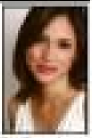
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Keep your man well-groomed with these grooming essentials

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Ria Francisco-Prieto



Facial cleanser/scrub

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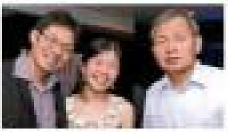




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A boost to design and real-estate development

WITHOUT BATTING AN EYELASH

Maurice Arcache

Photos by Alick Von Hagen powered by MAC

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Awesome Bench show

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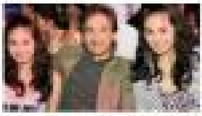
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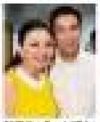
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Alabang concert season

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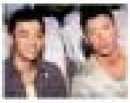

CHARLES Chan-say with daughters


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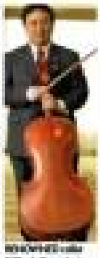

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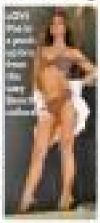

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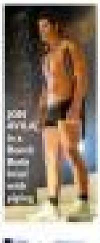

WINDPIPES cellist performing in a concert at the Insular Life Corporate Center Auditorium in Alabang

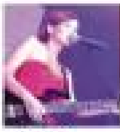

AMBASSADOR Philip Mabilangan and wife Rita Ledesma Mabilangan


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NOKIA Music Connection runner-up


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NOKIA Music Connection grand winner Chiro Band


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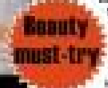
Keep your man well-groomed with these grooming essentials



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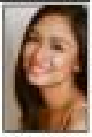
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How to eliminate pimple scars

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Kelly Misa

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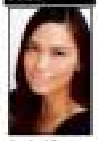
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A pledge to wear no makeup this rainy summer

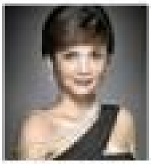
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LifeStyle Fashion & Beauty

Forever 21 brings fun and freshness to the runway

Pattern mixing, romantic bohemian, color blocking, global influence and 21 Men collection

AFTER TWO phenomenal store openings in the Philippines, the first in SM Megamall last year and recently in Makati's Central Business District, Forever 21 marks another milestone by taking the lead as a major foreign brand participant in last week's shows.

Forever 21 business unit head [illegible] says, "This is a great venue to showcase what Forever 21 is—fun, fresh, vibrant!"

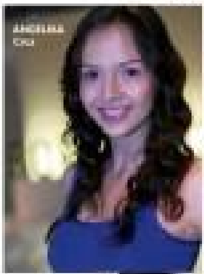
The SMX Convention Center show showcased the brand's creative synergy in the young and fun looks from its Forever 21 and 21 Men—Pattern Mixing, Romantic Bohemian, Color Blocking, Global Influence and 21 Men collection.

One of the fast growing and most successful apparel lines in the US, Forever 21 partners in the Philippines with SM's Retail Group.

Forever 21 is represented by brand ambassadors Tricia Gosingtian, Lyssa Kahayon, David Guison, Patricia Prieto, [illegible] and Angelika Cruz.

Forever 21 stores are at 2/L SM Megamall A and G/F SM Makati.

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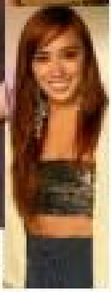
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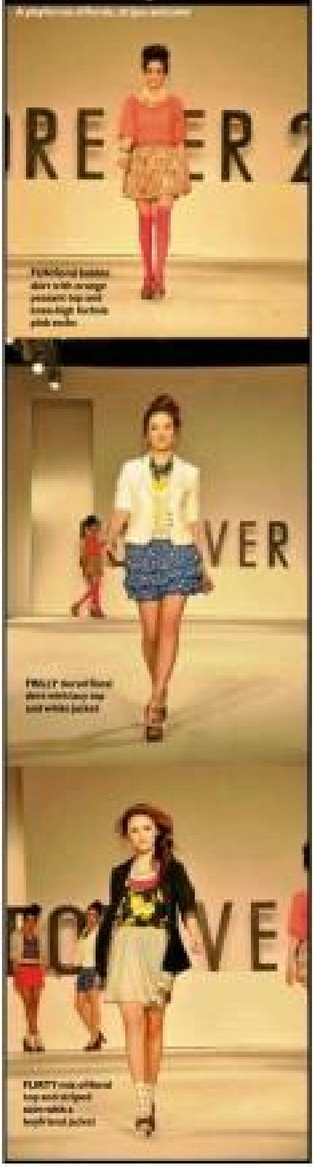


Forever 21 brings fun and freshness...

Romantic bohemian



Pattern mixing



Global influence



21 Men



Bridal wear launch

Sta. Lucia's 30th anniversary celebration

Erik Santos in Casino Filipino

Christian book sale

Circus show in Manila

Theme park photo contest

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Yoga workshop

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The Filipino Heritage Festival at the SM Supermalls











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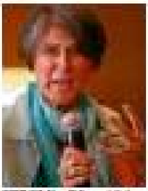


Diplomatic spouses to walk the runway for charity





Diplomatic spouses to walk the run













Celestial store display boosts social awareness



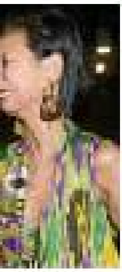


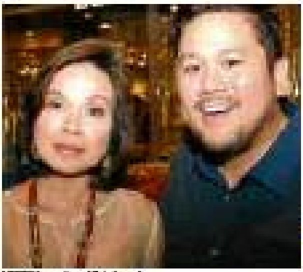


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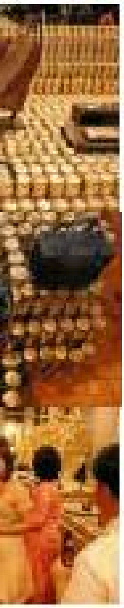


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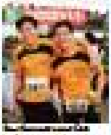


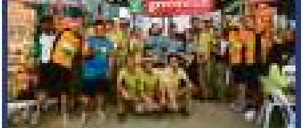


LOREN Legarda and Raju Laurel



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Penshoppe brand ambassadors Victor Basa, Solenn Heussaff, Bea Soriano and Mikael Daez with Penshoppe brand director Alan Mendoza (center)

Trailblazing milestone collection



Edgier, rugged and trendsetting looks at Penshoppe

By Paul Albert Polintan
Contributor

The cool twinkling disco lights and shiny steel runway setup at Penshoppe's "Trailblazer" Holiday 2011 fashion show was quite the opposite of the warm weather outside the SMX Convention Center.

The new collection captures Penshoppe's evolution into an edgier and trendsetting brand, as it celebrates its 25th anniversary.

"From a simple T-shirt business, Penshoppe has grown into a full-blown fashion brand vis-a-vis global trends," said Bernie Liu, president and CEO of Golden ABC, before the show.

Liu, an architect by profession, said a simple change in direction can transform fate—the way he has transformed Golden ABC into Asia's premiere fashion company.

He quoted Confucius: "Choose a job you love and you'll never have to work a single day in your life."

Model ambassadors

The Holiday collection started with a teaser video, which featured Penshoppe's brand ambassadors Victor Basa, Solenn Heussaff, Bea Soriano and Mikael Daez. They strutted in a [illegible], amid a background of private luxury jets and helicopters.

They were all glammed up in jeans, shirts and accessories—channeling either rock-funk or celebrity squad.

The clothes embody a fusion of basic, edgy and as the show title suggests, "trailblazing" fashions that elevate Penshoppe as a brand.

Fashion show

Opening to the [illegible] theme, the show presented basics, such as, hoodies in shades of gray and black and jeans with textures that mimic leather.

The models, a vision against the dynamic-graphic backdrop, wore black with [illegible] studs. The looks were completed with sunglasses, studded boots, and sporty pieces. The collection combined tradition and contemporary, edgier styles.

In the end, Penshoppe supports individuality. Whatever your choice of clothes, however you want to wear it, with Penshoppe's clothes you'll always be ready to rock 'n' roll—and blaze any trail.



Mikael Daez and Bea Soriano in rock glam



Bernie Liu, president and CEO of Golden ABC gives a toast before the show.

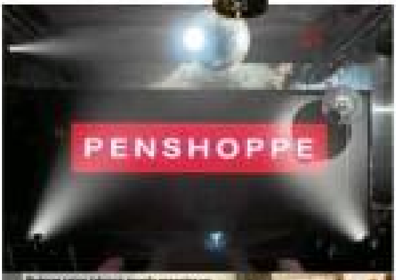
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People lining up to watch the show



Fashion show giveaways





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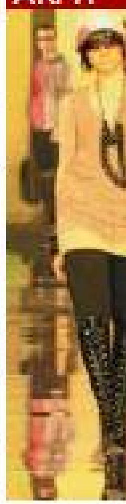
GLAM ROCK



TRENDSETTIN

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with these holiday staples





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Jet.Set. Style

Penshoppe's latest campaign channels the jetsetting life





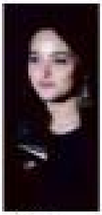
A trailblazing holiday

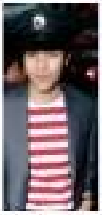
PARTY FILE

Who's who at the hottest party in town





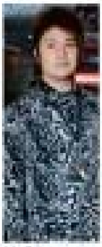


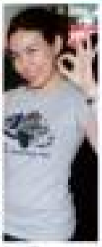












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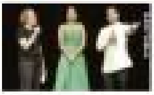
"Prey" gets early slot in Venice fest

Ruben V. Nepales, Los Angeles Correspondent

Cheer Factor



■ SM malls bat for film literacy progam/H4



■ Long applause greets Auraeus Solito film premiere in Cannes/H2



■ Hollywood A-listers bid Oprah farewell in Chicago shows/H3

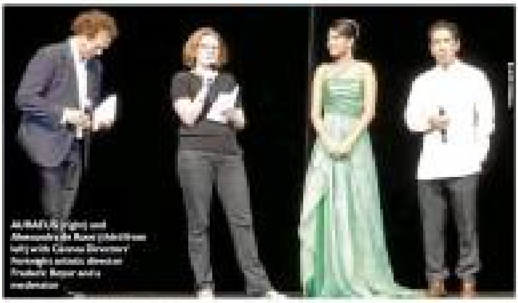




5-minute applause greets Solito's Cannes premiere

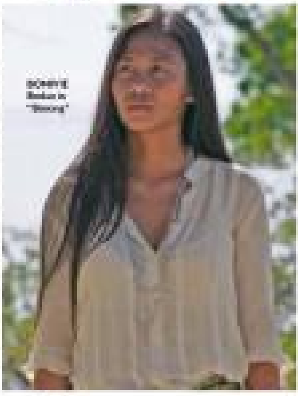






'Busong' team

First of a trilogy



Celebrities bid Oprah farewell in Chicago shows



OPRAH and Dakota Fanning



WITH Tom Cruise, famous for his couch-jumping on Oprah's show

Biggest stars

Charity efforts



WITH Beyonce and Madonna



WITH Stevie Wonder



SM bats for film literacy

Mall giant wants the youth to go back to cinemas

By Bayani San Diego Jr.

Partner schools



Opening This Week



JOHNNY Depp and Penelope Cruz in "Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides"

Directed by Archie del Mundo

Pirates of the Caribbean: On Stranger Tides

Directed by Rob Marshall



ENTERTAINMENT



'Panda' sequel's adoption theme resonates with Jolie

ONLY IN HOLLYWOOD











'Panda' sequel's...

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Inner peace

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'Po is my hero'

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Fun, entertaining

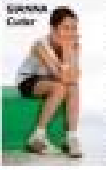
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> 'Maybe we need to be together more and be a collective hero,' says 'Panda' star Angelina Jolie

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Where kids...

From page 14

...of the shows "Glee Club" and "Kindly."

"They're similar in terms of how the camera is used," he explained. "The kids only look at the camera, as if they've just set up a webcam. They project something that they themselves did. It's as if the show has no director and production designer, like they made their own props."

"My Chubby World" airs Saturdays at 9:15 a.m.

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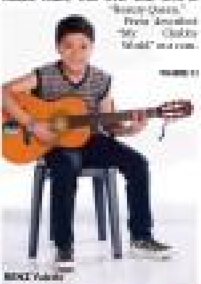
Where kids learn from kids





DIRECTOR Don Michael Perez





RENZ Valerio



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Living Stars

Rolling Stone toasts Bob Dylan

CHEER FACTOR

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HOME BODY

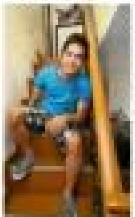
Powered by iced tea and crackers



Neil Coleta was able to move into a condo and buy a new car after appearing in TV ads



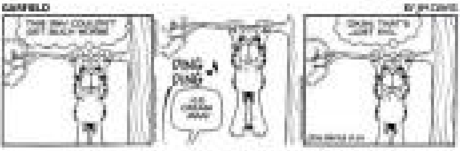






THE LAPTOP is his most expensive gadget.

GARFIELD BY JIM DAVIS



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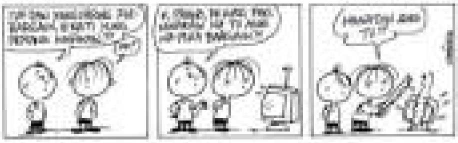


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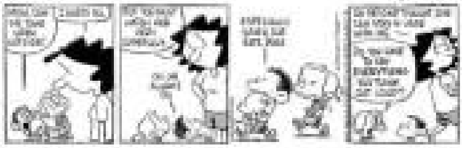


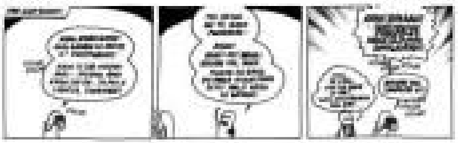
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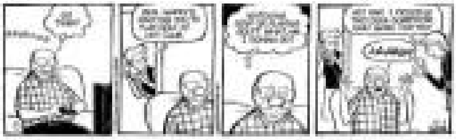


BABY BLUES





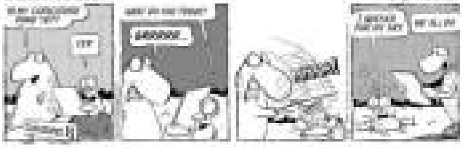
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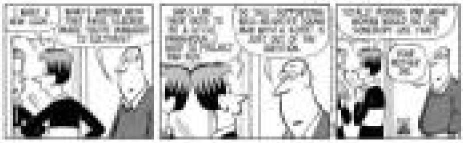
MUTTS



SHERMAN'S LAGOON BY JIM TOOMEY



DUSTIN BY STEVE KELLEY AND JEFF PARKER





HOROSCOPE

CONCEPTIS SU DOKU

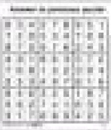
HOW TO PLAY SU DOKU

Fill the grid so that every column, every row and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1 to 9.

Conceptis Sudoku

7				9				6
	1						9	
			3	1	4			
3		6				7		5
4		1				2		9
			5	6	1			
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2				7				8

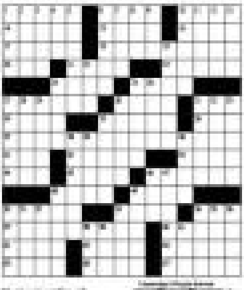
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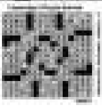


CROSSWORD PUZZLE

ACROSS

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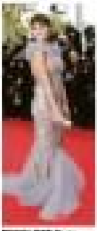


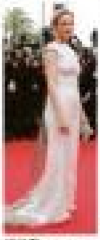


Cannes snaps

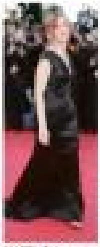
'Pirates' photo call, May 14

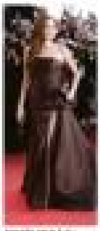

JANE Fonda

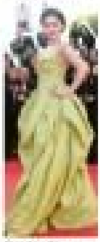

PENELOPE Cruz


UMA Thurman

'Tree of Life' screening, May 16


ISABELLE Huppert


ANGELINA Jolie


FAN Bing Bing





NEW York Yankees cap (left) and headphones (top)



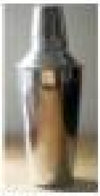


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